Board of Contract Appeals General Services Administration Washington, D.C. 20405

DISMISSED: January 31, 2002

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THE AUSTIN COMPANY,

Appellant,

v.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,

Respondent.

David P. Metzger and Timothy J. Bloomfield of Holland & Knight LLP, Washington, DC; and Charles M. Asmar, Lawrence Schor, and Jeremiah S. Regan of McManus, Schor, Asmar & Darden, LLP, Washington, DC, counsel for Appellant.

Kenneth A. Lechter, Office of the Director for Administration and Chief Financial Officer, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, Gaithersburg, MD, counsel for Respondent.

GOODMAN, Board Judge.

ORDER

The Austin Company filed this appeal with the Board in connection with a contract with the Department of Commerce for construction of a new advanced chemical sciences laboratory building at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Maryland. The parties requested the appointment of a Board Judge to serve as an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) neutral. ADR sessions were held which resulted in the settlement of the appeal.

On January 30, 2002, the parties filed a joint stipulation for dismissal of the appeal. Accordingly, the appeal is **DISMISSED**. Board Rule 128.

ALLAN H. GOODMAN

Board Judge